

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumés of Congressional Activity (September and October).

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6317–S6386

Measures Introduced: Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2–3, and S.J. Res. 40–41. **Page S6355**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Thursday, October 27, during the adjournment:

S. 2418, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish university labs for student-developed technology-based solutions for countering online recruitment of violent extremists, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–365)

S. 1526, to amend title 10 and title 41, United States Code, to improve the manner in which Federal contracts for construction and design services are awarded, to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for design and construction services procurements, to amend title 31 and 41, United States Code, to improve the payment protections available to construction contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers for work performed, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–366)

S. 1717, to amend title 46, United States Code, to exempt old vessels that only operate within inland waterways from the fire-retardant materials requirement if the owners of such vessels make annual structural alterations to at least 10 percent of the areas of the vessels that are not constructed of fire-retardant materials. (S. Rept. No. 114–367)

S. 1916, to include skilled nursing facilities as a type of health care provider under section 254(h) of the Communications Act of 1934. (S. Rept. No. 114–368)

S. 2325, to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to establish a constituent-driven program to provide a digital information platform capable of efficiently inte-

grating coastal data with decision-support tools, training, and best practices and to support collection of priority coastal geospatial data to inform and improve local, State, regional, and Federal capacities to manage the coastal region, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–369)

S. 1551, to provide for certain requirements relating to the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority stewardship transition, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Reported on Tuesday, November 15:

S. 1490, to establish an advisory office within the Bureau of Consumer Protection of the Federal Trade Commission to prevent fraud targeting seniors. (S. Rept. No. 114–370)

S. 2219, to require the Secretary of Commerce to conduct an assessment and analysis of the outdoor recreation economy of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–371)

S. 3088, to provide a deadline for compliance with an alternate safety compliance program and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–372)

S. 2564, to modernize prior legislation relating to Dine College. (S. Rept. No. 114–373) **Page S6355**

Measures Passed:

Gold Star Families Voices Act: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4511, to amend the Veterans' Oral History Project Act to allow the collection of video and audio recordings of biographical histories by immediate family members of members of the Armed Forces who died as a result of their service during a period of war, and the bill was then passed by a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 152). **Pages S6324–26**

Measures Considered:

American Energy and Conservation Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3110, to provide for reforms of the administration of the outer Continental Shelf of the United States, to provide for the development of geothermal, solar, and wind energy on public land.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, November 17, 2016.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 2:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2016.

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Appointments:

Creating Options for Veterans' Expedited Recovery (COVER Commission): The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–198, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Creating Options for Veterans' Expedited Recovery (COVER Commission): Dr. Wayne Jonas of Virginia (Veteran) and Jon Soltz of Virginia (Veteran).

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World War I Centennial Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 112–272, appointed the following individual to be a member of the World War I Centennial Commission: Terry Hamby of Kentucky.

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Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader and the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the Public Law 110–298, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: Rick McCubbin of Kentucky (vice Michael Harris of Nevada).

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State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader and the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 110–298, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: Michael Walters of Nevada (vice Mike Hettich of Kentucky).

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John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader,

pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–215, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission: Senators McCain and Hatch. **Page S6317**

United States Commission on Civil Rights: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore and upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 98–183, as amended by Public Law 103–419, reappointed the following individual to the United States Commission on Civil Rights: David Kladney of Nevada. **Page S6317**

United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, the reappointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: Katherine Tobin of Virginia.

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United States Semiquincentennial Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–196, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the United States Semiquincentennial Commission: Members of the Senate: Senators Casey and Shaheen. Private Citizens: Dr. Andrew Hohns of Pennsylvania, David Cohen of Pennsylvania, Heather Murren of Nevada, and James Swanson of the District of Columbia. **Pages S6317–18**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Rainey Ransom Brandt, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

44 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

95 Army nominations in the rank of general.

5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S6376–86**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

Additional Statements: **Pages S6338**Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6358**Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
(Total—152) **Page S6326**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6376.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported 12 General Services Administration resolutions.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Robert G. Taub, of New York, and Mark D. Acton, of Kentucky, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 6316–6323; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 172 were introduced. **Pages H6238–39**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6239–40**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5843, to establish a grant program at the Department of Homeland Security to promote cooperative research and development between the United States and Israel on cybersecurity, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–826); and

H.R. 5877, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 and the United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2014 to promote cooperative homeland security research and antiterrorism programs relating to cybersecurity, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–827, Part 1).

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Urging respect for the constitution of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the democratic transition of power in 2016: H. Res. 780, amended, urging respect for the constitution of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the democratic transition of power in 2016, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 578;

Pages H6185–89, H6207–08

Women, Peace, and Security Act of 2016: H.R. 5332, amended, to ensure that the United States promotes the meaningful participation of women in mediation and negotiations processes seeking to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To ensure that the United States promotes the meaningful participation of women in mediation and negotiation processes seeking to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict."

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Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act of 2016: H.R. 5732, amended, to halt the wholesale slaughter of the Syrian people, encourage a negotiated political settlement, and hold Syrian human rights abusers accountable for their crimes; and

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Iran Sanctions Extension Act: H.R. 6297, to reauthorize the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 419 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 577.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:59 p.m. and reconvened at 3:38 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6207–08 and H6208. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:28 p.m.